## REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment eliminates the multiple dependent claim status of claims 9 and 10 in order to avoid the multiple dependent claim surcharge.

New claims 11 to 16 are added in order to recapture the subject matter deleted in the amendment to claims 9 and 10.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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## EXHIBIT I - Marked-up Version of Amended Claims

9. (Amended) A base station apparatus comprising:

the rate matching apparatus according to [any one of claims 5 to 8] claim 5; and

- a transmission/reception apparatus which inputs a frame extracted from a received signal to said rate matching apparatus at the time of receiving signals, while further inputting a frame to be transmitted to said rate matching apparatus at the time of transmitting signals.
- 10. (Amended) A mobile station apparatus comprising:
  the rate matching apparatus according to [any one of claims
  5 to 8] claim 5; and
- a transmission/reception apparatus which inputs a frame extracted from a received signal to said rate matching apparatus at the time of receiving signals, while further inputting a frame to be transmitted to said rate matching apparatus at the time of transmitting signals.